



## Imagination

Imagine yourself standing barefoot in the water of the Swan or Canning River upstream from the estuary. Feel the water gently lapping round your knees. Feel the soil beneath your feet and between your toes. What does it feel like? Is it firm or do you sink? How does the water feel, cool or warm; and what colour is it, clear or slightly brown and muddy? What does it smell like? What might it taste like?

Now close your eyes, but don't fall over. Can you hear any signs of life? Perhaps the sound of a frog or the slapping of feet across the water as a bird takes flight. Are there any signs of insect activity? What sort? Now open your eyes. What can you see? Any fish leaping from the water to catch insects? What kinds of plants can you see? How many birds can you hear? Apart from you, are there any other signs of humans at all? What might these be?